GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1036
ANSWERED ON:24.02.2003
ANTI-DUMPING DUTY ON MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government propose to impose stiff anti-dumping duty on milk and milk products exported by European Economic Community and the U.S. to India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have worked out any specific plan to protect domestic market;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b): A request was made by National Cooperative Dairy Federation of India Limited/National Dairy Development Board to Directorate General of Anti Dumping& Allied Duties, Ministry of Commerce & Industry in November, 1998 for imposition of Anti-Dumping Duty on Skimmed Milk Powder and Butter Oil imported from European Union.The same was subsequently withdrawn by the petitioner.

A petition has now been filed by the Centre for International Trade in Agriculture and Agro Based Industries for initiation of anti-dumping investigations on import of Butter Oil from New Zealand. Director General, Anti Dumping vide notification dated 26.11.2002 has initiated the investigations in the matter.

(c) to (e): According to the Anti-Dumping Rules, the initiation of Anti-Dumping investigations is normally undertaken when the domestic industry files a fully documented petition to the Designated Authority with a prima-facie evidence of dumping, injury and causal link between the dumping of the imported goods and injury to the domestic industry.